

## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

## **Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently amended)      A vehicle door latch comprising:  
a locking mechanism (1, 2);  
at least one operating lever (3) for the locking mechanism (1, 2); and  
a motor drive (4, 5, 6, 7) ~~for opening the locking mechanisms (1, 2), wherein the motor drive (4, 5, 6, 7) directly acts upon the locking mechanism (1, 2) solely via the operating lever (3);~~  
and the motor drive (4, 5, 6, 7) is also operable in a reverse direction and preferably ~~contains~~**containing** a drive disk (5) with a front-sided cam (4) and a rear-sided element limiting the angle of rotation (7)[[.]] **and an electric motor (6) for causing a rotation of said drive disk (5) in an actuation direction and in a reverse direction, said rotations being limited by the element limiting the angle of rotation (7),**  
**wherein the motor drive (4, 5, 6, 7) opens the locking mechanism (1, 2) by directly acting upon the locking mechanism (1, 2) solely via contact of the cam (4) with the operating lever (3).**
2. (Canceled)
3. (Previously presented)      The vehicle door latch according to claim 1, wherein the element limiting the angle of rotation (7) cooperates with a stationary stop (8), preferably fixed to latch housing (13) and limits the movements of rotation of the motor drive (4, 5, 6, 7) to the actuation and reversing direction.
4. (Previously presented)      The vehicle door latch according to claim 1, wherein the operating lever (3) contains at least two arms, an operating arm (3a) and an actuation arm (3b).
5. (Previously presented)      The vehicle door latch according to claim 4, wherein the operating lever (3) contains three arms, including an additional opening arm (3c).

6. (Previously presented) The vehicle door latch according to claim 4, wherein the operating arm (3a) is acted upon by the drive (4, 5, 6, 7), whilst the actuation arm (3b) acts upon the locking mechanism (1, 2).

7. (Previously presented) The vehicle door latch according to claim 3, wherein the motor drive (4, 5, 6, 7) acts upon the operating lever (3) in its actuating direction for opening the locking mechanism (1, 2) until the element limiting the angle of rotation (7) rests against the stop (8) in an opening position.

8. (Previously presented) The vehicle door latch according to claim 7, wherein the opening position is maintained until the locking mechanism (1, 2) has been reliably opened.

9. (Previously presented) The vehicle door latch according to claim 1, wherein the operating lever (3) pivotally engages a pawl (2) of the locking mechanism (1, 2) to open the locking mechanism (1, 2) and then, the motor drive (4, 5, 6, 7) is acted upon in reverse direction until the pawl (2), held previously by the operating lever (3) is released.

10. (Currently amended) The vehicle door latch according to claim 1, wherein in an opening position of the drive disk (5), a counterforce generated by a spring (F) on the operating lever (3), runs radially through the cam (4) in the direction of a rotation axis (5') of the drive disk (5) without providing a ~~lateral~~sideways force running in said actuation direction or in said reverse direction on the drive disk (5).